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Dear Harold,

Spare me your abusive tone. You and I have a disagreement. If you care enough to discuss it with me, don't begin by stating as a matter of fact that I am an idiot. Your ~~tone~~ tone, all too common, among JFK researchers, contributes nothing to public enlightenment and actually strengthens the forces of secrecy which you have so courageously battled for so many years.

Now on to your specifics: Yes, I believe the Elrod story; when you cease your insulting, condescending, patronizing abuse, I will take the time to explain why. I would be delighted to do so. But only if you treat me with a modicum of respect. I would preface this remark by saying that if the Elrod story surfaced as a result of your work, I would not be the least surprised and will strive to make sure that you get full credit.

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and immature personal attacks on me.

You do use the word 'lie' much too carelessly. You accuse me of burying the truth about the Kennedy assassination, a gross disservice to the only working journalist in the nation's capital who is up to speed on the latest document releases (and a gross overestimation of my influence). All because you and I disagree about the interpretation of approximately 5 percent of the evidence.

So listen up Harold. I'm your friend, an ally, a supporter, a sympathizer, an admirer. Don't treat me like shit. It's stupid of you. Let's try this. Instead of getting into an argument, let's get into agreement. Write me ten propositions about Kennedy's murder that all citizens of good will can agree on. Then I'll give you ten of mine and we'll keep going until we can't come to any consensus. It will, in any case, be a much more pleasant correspondence than this.

With best wishes

 S. P. Morley